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FM AMEMBASSY SANA
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C O N F I D E N T I A L SANA 2264

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION AMEMBASSY MUSCAT 14 MAY IS REPEATED
TO YOU:

QUOTE:

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, MU
SUBJ: ARMS FOR OMAN

1. AT RISK OF PLAGUING YOU FURTHER WITH INFORMATION WHICH
YOU ALREADY KNOWN OR, BASED ON BETTER SOURCES, CAN EASILY
DISCOUNT, WANT TO REPORT THAT TODAY, FOR SECOND TIME IN
LAST TWO WEEKS, OMANI EMBASSY OFFICIAL WITH INTELLIGENCE
R
YE HAS ASKED ME ABOUT
POSSIBILITY OF US ARMS SALES TO
OMAN. BOTH MEN WHO APPROACHED ME ASKED SPECIFICALLY
ABOUT WHAT KINDS OF WEAPONS MIGHT BE PURCHASED BY
OMAN FROM US AND WHEN BEST TIME MIGHT BE TO APPROACH
US. BOTH SAID THAT THERE WAS GROWING NEED FOR SUCH
SALES, BOTH ON PART OF OMAN AND US, DUE TO INCREASING
DANGER IN HORN.

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2. I DISCOURAGED BOTH MEN FROM THINKING THAT WE WOULD
AGREE TO SALES AND WENT ON TO SAY THAT ABOUT WORST
POSSIBLE TIME FOR APPROACH WOULD BE IN MIDDLE OF
PRESENT AIRCRAFT BATTLE.

3. WOULD BE INTERESTED KNOW IF THESE SANA INQUIRIES
REFLECT EVENTS IN MUSCAT OR, AS SEEMS TO BE CASE

IN EARLIER TALKS OF MINE WITH OMANI SECURITY OFFICIALS,
MERELY REFLECT PERSONAL OPINIONS.
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